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# Town Officers for 1945

ELECTED BIENNIALLY

**Moderator**
Harold F. Currier

**Supervisors of Check List**
Frank E. Brown
Rufus B. Floyd
Gilman P. Smith

ELECTED ANNUALLY

**Town Clerk**
Charles F. Floyd

**Selectmen**
Harold F. Currier, '46
Willis J. Evans, '47
Guy W. Smith, '48

**Overseer of Poor**
Willis J. Evans

**Treasurer**
George W. Palmer

**Collector of Taxes**
Wallace B. Morrill

**Auditors**
Arthur M. French
Roland E. Frost

**Highway Agent**
Harold E. Brown

**Trustees of Trust Funds**

Rufus B. Floyd, '46 Dorris Gray, '47
Wallace B. Morrill, '48

**Librarian**

Judith E. Morrill

**Library Trustees**

Ellen M. Cressy, '46 Minnie B. Floyd, '47
Ella J. Currier, '48

**Cemetery Trustees**

Wallace B. Morrill Henry V. Crosby
Charles F. Floyd (ex-officio)

**Budget Committee**

Albert Gray, '46 Frank Brown, '47
Rufus B. Floyd, '48

**Police**

William A. Marple Charles N. Dennett, Jr.

**State Forest Fire Warden**

Guy W. Smith

**Deputy Wardens**

Rufus B. Floyd Willis J. Evans

**Fire Chief**

Albert Gray

**Meat Inspector**

Arthur M. French

**Health Officer**

William A. Marple

# Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting

## MARCH 12, 1946 AT 10 A. M.

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THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the Town of South Hampton in the County of Rockingham in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said South Hampton on Tuesday, the 12th day of March, next, at ten of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriation of the same.

3. To raise and appropriate money for the support of highways and bridges.

4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the amount of money necessary to secure State Aid for the permanent improvement of Class V roads.

5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $800.00 for snow removal.

6. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for insurance and Town Officers' bonds.

7. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Public Library.

8. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Public Welfare.

9. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the care of Cemeteries.

10. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to pay taxes on property bought by the Town.

11. To see what action the Town will take in regard to real estate deeded to the Town for the non-payment of taxes.

12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $10.00 for the Sibley Relief Fund and $10.00 for the Amesbury Police Relief Fund.

13. To see if the Town will vote to use part of the surplus for the purpose of creating a fund to use for post-war projects. Such projects to be subject to a vote of the Town.

14. To see what action the Town will take in regard to a Soldiers' Memorial and raise and appropriate money for the same.

15. "To see if the Town will vote to petition the State Tax Commission to have an audit made by the Division of Municipal Accounting and to make an appropriation to cover the expense of such audit."

To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this 10th day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and forty-six.

HAROLD F. CURRIER,
WILLIS J. EVANS,
GUY W. SMITH,
Selectmen.

## Budget of the Town of South Hampton, N. H.

| Sources of Revenue | Actual Revenue 1945 | Estimated Revenue 1946 |
|---|---|---|
| From State: | | |
| Interest and Dividend Tax | $ 387.08 | $150.00 |
| Railroad Tax | .40 | .30 |
| Savings Bank Tax | 22.84 | 22.00 |
| State Forest Tax | 7.63 | 8.00 |
| From Local Sources Except Taxes: | | |
| Motor Vehicle Permit Fees | 268.43 | 250.00 |
| Fidelity Grange, Rent of Hall | 32.50 | 32.50 |
| Rent of Town Hall (Social, etc.) | 22.00 | 20.00 |
| Rebate on Insurance | 20.67 | |
| Henry Crosby, used plank | 15.00 | |
| Alfred Caplin, used plank | 3.00 | |
| Ray Buxton, used plank | 3.00 | |
| Filing Fees | 6.00 | 6.00 |
| Cash Surplus | 2,207.58 | 942.27 |
| From Taxes Other Than Property Taxes: | 508.00 | 300.00 |
| Total Revenues From All Sources Except Property Taxes | 3,504.13 | $1,731.07 |
| Amount To Be Raised By Property Taxes | | 7,307.71 |

| Purpose of Expenditures | | Actual Expenditures 1945 | Estimated Expenditures 1946 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Current Maintenance Expenses: | | | |
| Town Officers' Salaries | $ | 397.00 | $400.00 |
| Town Officers Expenses | | 141.81 | 75.00 |
| Election and Registration | | 19.50 | 60.00 |
| Town Hall Expenses | | 119.96 | 150.00 |
| Protection of Persons and Property: | | | |
| Police Department | | 60.65 | 50.00 |
| Fire Department | | 96.26 | 200.00 |
| Health Department | | 3.00 | |
| Highways and Bridges | | | |
| Town Maintenance | | 537.15 | 1,000.00 |
| Town Road Aid | | 180.67 | 140.78 |
| Snow Removal | | 830.25 | 800.00 |
| Special Appropriation (Amesbury Police and Fire Relief) | | 20.00 | 20.00 |
| Library | | 150.00 | 150.00 |
| Old Age Assistance | | 333.99 | 400.00 |
| Care of Common | | | 20.00 |
| Cemeteries | | 65.00 | 65.00 |
| Taxes bought by Town | | 119.56 | 200.00 |
| Legal Expenses | | 26.05 | 50.00 |
| Insurance and Bonds | | 266.15 | 200.00 |
| Special Poll Tax | | 475.84 | |
| Capital Reserve Fund | | 1,110.00 | |
| County Tax | | 1,006.52 | 1,200.00 |
| Payments to School District | | 2,650.00 | 3,858.00 |
| Total Expenditures | $ | 8,609.36 | $9,038.78 |

# Comparative Statement of Appropriations and Expenditures for Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1945

| | Appro-priations | Expen-ditures | Unex-pended Bal. | Over-draft |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Town Officers' Salaries | $ 400.00 | $ 397.00 | $ 3.00 | |
| Town Officers Expenses | 75.00 | 141.81 | | 66.81 |
| Election and Registration | 30.00 | 19.50 | 10.50 | |
| Town Hall Expenses | 200.00 | 119.96 | 80.04 | |
| Police Department | 50.00 | 60.65 | | 10.65 |
| Fire Department | 200.00 | 96.26 | 103.74 | |
| Town Road Aid | 126.00 | 180.67 | | 54.67 |
| Town Maintenance | 1,224.00 | 537.15 | 686.85 | |
| Snow Removal | 600.00 | 830.25 | | 230.25 |
| Fire and Police Relief Association | 20.00 | 20.00 | | |
| Library | 150.00 | 150.00 | | |
| O. A. A. and Town Poor | 400.00 | 333.99 | 66.01 | |
| Cemeteries | 65.00 | 65.00 | | |
| County Tax | 1,006.52 | 1,006.52 | | |
| School Tax | 3,800.00 | 2,650.00 | 1,150.00 | |
| Taxes on Property Bought By Town | 250.00 | 119.56 | 130.44 | |
| Insurance and Officers' Bonds | 240.00 | 266.15 | | 26.15 |
| Health Dept. | | 3.00 | | 3.00 |
| Legal Expense | 50.00 | 26.05 | 23.95 | |
| Capital Reserve Fund Transferred from Surplus | | 1,110.00 | | |

# Selectmen's Report

**Inventory as made by the Selectmen, April 1, 1945**

| | No. | |
|---|---|---|
| Real Estate, Resident | | $188,005.00 |
| Real Estate, Non-Resident | | 44,800.00 |
| Growing Wood and Timber, Resident | | 10,595.00 |
| Growing Wood and Timber, Non-Resident | | 10,015.00 |
| Electric Plants | | 17,100.00 |
| Horses | 23 | 2,300.00 |
| Cows | 56 | 4,790.00 |
| Neat Stock | 4 | 275.00 |
| Sheep | 17 | 170.00 |
| Fowl | 1,690 | 2,150.00 |
| Goats | 9 | 90.00 |
| Wood and Lumber | | 4,760.00 |
| Stock in Trade | | 300.00 |
| Total Valuation | | $285,350.00 |
| Property Exempted to Soldiers | | 2,000.00 |
| Leaving For Taxation | | $283,350.00 |
| Number of Acres Owned by Residents | | 2,829 11-12 |
| Number of Acres Owned by Non-Residents | | 2,309 1-4 |
| Number of Acres Owned by Town | | 35 |
| Number of Acres Owned by State | | 52 |
| Total Acres | | 5,226 1-6 |
| Taxes Excluding Polls | | $ 6,800.40 |
| Regular Polls | | 312.00 |
| Special Polls @ $3.00 | | 480.00 |
| Total Taxes Committed to Collector | | $ 7,592.40 |

## Appropriations For 1945

| | |
|---|---|
| Town Officers' Salaries | $ 400.00 |
| Town Officers' Expenses | 75.00 |
| Election and Registration | 30.00 |
| Town Hall Expenses | 200.00 |
| Police Department | 50.00 |
| Fire Department | 200.00 |
| Town Road Aid | 126.00 |
| Town Maintenance | 1,224.00 |
| Snow Removal | 600.00 |
| Special Appropriation, Fire and Police Relief (Amesbury) | 20.00 |
| Library | 150.00 |
| Old Age Assistance and Town Poor | 400.00 |
| Cemeteries | 65.00 |
| Tax on Property Bought by Town | 250.00 |
| County Tax | 1,006.52 |
| School Appropriation | 3,800.00 |
| Legal Expense | 50.00 |
| Town Officers' Bonds | 240.00 |
| Total | $ 8,886.52 |

## Less Estimated Revenues and Credits

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Interest and Dividend Tax | $ 382.00 | |
| Railroad Tax | .38 | |
| Savings Bank Tax | 33.38 | |
| Reimbursement State and Federal Land | 8.00 | |
| Motor Vehicle Permit Fees | 275.00 | |
| Rent of Town Property | 60.00 | |
| Interest Received on Taxes | 80.00 | |
| Filing Fees | 8.00 | |
| Taken From Surplus | 1,000.00 | |
| Total | | $ 1,846.76 |
| Appropriations Less Credits | | $ 7,039.76 |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Plus Overlay | | 72.64 |
| Total | | $ 7,112.40 |
| Less Regular Poll Taxes | | 312.00 |
| Amount to be Raised by Property Taxes on Which Rate is Figured | | $ 6,800.40 |
| Taxes Excluding Polls | | $ 6,800.40 |
| Poll Taxes @ $2.00 | | 312.00 |
| Special Poll Taxes @ $3.00 | | 480.00 |
| Total Committed to Collector | | $ 7,592.40 |
| Additional Taxes | | 32.60 |
| Total | | $ 7,625.00 |

Tax Rate —2.40 on $100 Valuation.

**Assets**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Cash in Hands of Treasurer, Dec. 31st, 1945 | $ 4,360.96 | |
| Dog Licenses | 133.44 | |
| Due From State, Highway Acc. | 722.71 | |
| War Bonds (Subject to Vote of Town) | 2,220.00 | |
| Uncollected Taxes | | |
| Levy of 1945 | 1,837.46 | |
| Levy of 1944 | 5.00 | |
| Total | | $ 9,279.57 |

**Liabilities**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Dog License Account | 133.44 | |
| Balance of School Appropriation | 3,418.69 | |
| Balance Due State (Special Polls) | 186.00 | |
| Capital Reserve Fund | 2,220.00 | |
| Highway Fund | | |
| In Town Treasury | 180.67 | |
| Total | | $ 6,138.80 |
| Excess of Assets Over Liabilities | | $ 3,140.77 |

**Abatements**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 1945: | | |
| Charles Mathews, not a resident | $ 5.00 | |
| Winnifred Mathews, not a resident | 5.00 | |
| Leo J. Connolly, exempt (Special cial Poll) | 3.00 | |
| Joseph F. Sheffield, exempt (Special Poll) | 3.00 | |
| John Santosuosso, exempt (Special Poll) | 3.00 | |
| | | $ 19.00 |
| 1942: | | |
| Gilman P. Smith | 18.75 | 18.75 |
| 1941: | | |
| Gilman P. Smith | 20.62 | 20.62 |
| 1940: | | |
| Gilman P. Smith | 18.75 | 18.75 |
| 1939: | | |
| Gilman P. Smith | 8.75 | 8.75 |

**Town Property**

| | |
|---|---|
| Town Hall, Land and Buildings | $ 5,000.00 |
| Furniture and Equipment | 1,000.00 |
| Library, Furniture and Equipment | 100.00 |
| Fire Department | 100.00 |
| Highway Equipment | 200.00 |

**Real Estate**

| | |
|---|---|
| School Lot | 50.00 |
| Rose Cottage Lot, 1-2 Acre | 50.00 |
| Kimball Land, 5 Acres | 150.00 |
| Farmer Land, 1 Acre | 25.00 |
| Welch Land, 15 Acres | 225.00 |
| Watkins Land, 4 Acres | 25.00 |
| Everett French Land | 25.00 |
| Titcomb Hill, Cemetery Lot, 1-2 Acre | 15.00 |
| Tuxbury Land, 4 Acres | 50.00 |
| Morrison Ground Land, 2 Acres | 25.00 |
| Total | $ 7,840.00 |

# Town Clerk's Report

## Permits For Registration of Motor Vehicles For Year Ending January 1, 1946

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Number of Permits Issued For 1944-45 | 2 | |
| Total Receipts for 1944-45 | $ | 1.16 |
| Number of Permits issued for 1945-46 | 127 | |
| Total Receipts for 1945-46 | $ | 267.27 |
| Filing Fees | | 6.00 |
| Paid Town Treasurer | $ | 274.43 |

## Dog License Account

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Dog Licenses 1945: | | |
| 1 Kennel License | $ | 12.00 |
| 11 Females @ $5.00 | | 55.00 |
| 47 Males @ $2.00 | | 94.00 |
| 1 Male for 6 months | | 1.00 |
| | $ | 162.00 |
| Reserved For Fees | | 12.00 |
| Paid Town Treasurer | $ | 150.00 |

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES F. FLOYD,
Town Clerk.

## Collector's Report

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Total Amount of Warrant | $ 7,714.20 | $7,714.20 |
| Abatement | 19.00 | |
| Paid Treasurer Property Tax | 5,349.24 | |
| Paid 101 $2.00 Poll | 202.00 | |
| Paid 102 $3.00 Poll | 306.00 | |
| Balance Due | 1,837.96 | 7,714.20 |
| 1944 Taxes Due | 1,649.13 | 1,649.13 |
| Paid Property Tax | 1,421.13 | |
| Paid 44 $2.00 Poll | 88.00 | |
| Paid 45 $3.00 Poll | 135.00 | |
| Balance Due | 5.00 | 1,649.13 |
| 1943 Taxes Due | 4.00 | 4.00 |
| Paid | 4.00 | 4.00 |
| 1942 Taxes Due | 18.75 | 18.75 |
| Abatement | 18.75 | 18.75 |
| 1941 Taxes Due | 20.62 | 20.62 |
| Abatement | 20.62 | 20.62 |
| 1940 Taxes Due | 18.75 | 18.75 |
| Abatement | 18.75 | 18.75 |
| 1939 Taxes Due | 8.75 | 8.75 |
| Abatement | 8.75 | 8.75 |
| Paid 1943 Tax Redeemed | 128.73 | |
| Paid 1944 Tax Redeemed | 5.19 | |
| Paid 1945 Interest | .19 | |

| | |
|---|---|
| Paid 1944 Interest | 60.62 |
| Paid 1943 Interest | .40 |
| Paid 1944 Additional Tax ($2.00 and $3.00 Poll) | 5.00 |

Respectfully submitted,

WALLACE B. MORRILL,
Tax Collector.

# Treasurer's Report

## Receipts

| | |
|---|---|
| Cash on Hand Dec. 30, 1944 | $ 4,476.27 |
| Received of Selectmen | 514.12 |
| Received of Collector 1943 Tax | 4.00 |
| Received of Collector 1943 Interest | .40 |
| Received of Collector 1943 Tax Redeemed | 128.73 |
| Received of Collector 1943 Tax Redeemed | 5.19 |
| Received of Collector 1944 Tax | 1,644.13 |
| Received of Collector 1944 Interest | 60.62 |
| Received of Collector 1944 Additional Tax | 5.00 |
| Received of Collector 1945 Tax | 5,857.24 |
| Received of Collector 1945 Interest | .19 |
| Received of Town Clerk 1944-45 Auto Permits | 1.16 |
| Received of Town Clerk 1945-1946 Auto Permits | 267.27 |
| Received of Town Clerk Filing Fees | 6.00 |
| Total | $ 12,970.32 |

## Payments

| | |
|---|---|
| Paid on Selectmen's Orders | $ 8,609.36 |
| Cash on Hand Dec. 31, 1945 | 4,360.96 |
| Total | $ 12,970.32 |

## DOG LICENSE ACCOUNT

### Receipts

| | |
|---|---|
| Cash on Hand Dec. 30, 1944 | $ 112.76 |
| Received of Town Clerk 1945 Dog Licenses | 150.00 |
| Total | $ 262.76 |

**Payments**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Paid on Selectmen's Orders | $ | 129.32 |
| Cash on Hand Dec. 31, 1945 | | 133.44 |
| Total | $ | 262.76 |

Respectfully Submitted,

GEORGE WALTER PALMER,
Treasurer.

**Summary of Selectmen's Receipts**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| From State Treasurer: | | |
| Interest and Dividend Tax | $ | 387.08 |
| Railroad Tax | | .40 |
| Savings Bank Tax | | 22.84 |
| State Forest Tax | | 7.63 |
| From Other Sources: | | |
| Fidelity Grange, rent of hall | | 32.50 |
| Rent of Hall, Socials, Showers, etc. | | 22.00 |
| Demeritt Agency, Rebate on Insurance | | 20.67 |
| Henry V. Crosby, used plank | | 15.00 |
| Alfred G. Caplin | | 3.00 |
| Ray P. Buxton | | 3.00 |
| Total | $ | 514.12 |

**Summary of Selectmen's Payments**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Town Officers' Salaries | $ | 397.00 |
| Town Officers' Expenses | | 141.81 |
| Election and Registration | | 19.50 |
| Town Hall Expense | | 119.96 |
| Fire Department | | 96.26 |
| Police Department | | 60.65 |
| Insurance | | 266.15 |
| Health Department | | 3.00 |
| Special Appropriation, Amesbury Police and Firemen's Relief | | 20.00 |

| | |
|---|---|
| Town Road Aid | 180.67 |
| Snow Removal | 830.25 |
| Town Maintenance | 537.15 |
| Special Poll Taxes to State | 475.84 |
| Library | 150.00 |
| Old Age Assistance | 333.99 |
| Cemeteries | 65.00 |
| Taxes Bought By Town | 119.56 |
| War Bond | 1,110.00 |
| County Tax | 1,006.52 |
| School Appropriation | 2,650.00 |
| Legal Expenses | 26.05 |
| Total | $ 8,609.36 |

**Detailed Statement of Payments**

**Town Officers' Salaries**

| | |
|---|---|
| Arthur M. French, Auditor | $ 5.00 |
| Gilman P. Smith, Supervisor | 5.00 |
| Rufus B. Floyd, Supervisor | 5.00 |
| Frank E. Brown, Supervisor | 5.00 |
| Charles F. Floyd, Town Clerk | 20.00 |
| Charles F. Floyd, Issuing Auto Permits | 32.00 |
| Wallace B. Morrill, Tax Collector | 80.00 |
| Harold F. Currier, Selectman | 80.00 |
| Willis J. Evans, Selectman | 55.00 |
| Guy W. Smith, Selectman | 55.00 |
| Harold F. Currier, Moderator | 5.00 |
| George W. Palmer, Treasurer | 50.00 |
| Total | $ 397.00 |

**Town Officers' Expenses**

| | |
|---|---|
| New Hampshire Assessors' Assoc., Dues | $ 2.00 |
| Arthur M. French, Expense, (Postage) | 1.20 |
| George W. Palmer, Clerk, pro-tem | 2.50 |
| Edson C. Eastman, Tax Book | 3.86 |
| Frank B. Nay, Recording | .20 |
| Amesbury Publishing Co., Town Reports | 91.28 |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Harold F. Currier, Postage and Note Books | | 2.20 |
| Guy W. Smith, Postage and Mileage | | 5.32 |
| Willis J. Evans, Time and Expense to Concord | | 8.50 |
| Amesbury Publishing Co., Tax Bills | | 5.00 |
| John W. A. Greene, Recording Transfers | | 6.40 |
| Wallace B. Morrill, Collector's Deeds | | 2.00 |
| Wallace B. Morrill, Postage and Supplies | | 6.75 |
| Rufus B. Floyd, Postage (Trust Funds) | | 1.00 |
| George W. Palmer, Postage | | 3.60 |
| Total | $ | 141.81 |

**Election and Registration**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Judith E. Morrill, Ballot Clerk | $ | 2.50 |
| Arthur M. French, Ballot Clerk | | 2.50 |
| Annie G. French, Ballot Clerk | | 2.50 |
| Lorinda M. Palmer, Ballot Clerk | | 2.50 |
| Amesbury Publishing Co., Ballots | | 9.50 |
| Total | $ | 19.50 |

**Town Hall Expenses**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Exeter & Hampton Electric Co., Lights | $ | 23.91 |
| Amesbury Hardware Co., Flag | | 15.30 |
| Guy W. Smith, Town Hall Repairs | | 30.75 |
| Wallace B. Morrill, Janitor Serivce | | 50.00 |
| Total | $ | 119.96 |

**Police Department**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Ella J. Currier, Board for Horse | $ | 25.00 |
| William A. Marple, Care of Horse | | 15.00 |
| William A. Marple, Police Duty | | 20.65 |
| Total | $ | 60.65 |

### Fire Department

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Guy W. Smith, Keg of Soda | $ | 4.90 |
| Guy W. Smith, Expense to Fire Warden's Meeting | | 6.86 |
| State of New Hampshire, 6 Brass Pumps | | 34.50 |
| Town of Amesbury, Batchelder Fire | | 50.00 |
| Total | $ | 96.26 |

### Insurance and Officers' Bond

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Charles F. Floyd, Town Hall Insurance | $ | 75.00 |
| Charles F. Floyd, Town Hall Insurance | | 75.00 |
| Charles F. Floyd, Town Clerk's Bond | | 13.00 |
| Baker Agency, Collector's Bond | | 10.00 |
| Baker Agency, Liability Insurance | | 93.15 |
| Total | $ | 266.15 |

### Health Department

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| William A. Marple, Officer | $ | 3.00 |

### Special Appropriation

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Amesbury Police Relief | $ | 10.00 |
| Amesbury Firemen's Relief | | 10.00 |
| Total | $ | 20.00 |

### Town Road Aid

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State Treasurer | $ | 180.67 |

### Snow Removal

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Town of Newton, Plowing Currierville | $ | 60.00 |
| David True, Shoveling Snow | | 12.00 |
| R. G. Watkins & Son | | 758.25 |
| Total | $ | 830.25 |

**Town Maintenance**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| T. W. Watkins & Son, Bridge Repairs | $ | 173.20 |
| T. W. Watkins & Son, Grading Town Roads | | 345.00 |
| Willis J. Evans, Time | | 1.20 |
| Harold E. Brown, Repairs on Bridge | | 17.75 |
| Total | $ | 537.15 |

**Special Poll Taxes**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State Treasurer | $ | 475.84 |

**Libraries**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Minnie B. Floyd, Treasurer | $ | 150.00 |

**Old Age Assistance**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State of New Hampshire | $ | 333.99 |

**Cemeteries**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Wallace B. Morrill, Care | $ | 65.00 |

**Taxes Bought By Town**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Wallace B. Morrill, Collector | $ | 119.56 |

**War Bonds**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Rufus B. Floyd, Treasurer of Trust Funds | $ | 1,110.00 |

**County Tax**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Earle R. Stockbridge, Treasurer | $ | 1,006.52 |

**School Appropriation**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| George W. Palmer, Treasurer | $ | 2,650.00 |

**Legal Expenses**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Frank A. Batchelder, Services | $ | 26.05 |

**Dog License Account**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Receipts: | | | | |
| Cash on Hand Dec. 31, 1945 | | | $ | 112.76 |
| Dog Licenses Collected to Dec. 31, 1945 | | | | 150.00 |
| Payments: | | | | |
| Edson C. Eastman, Dog Tags | $ | 4.11 | | |
| William A. Marple, Collecting Licenses | | 12.45 | | |
| G. Walter Palmer, License Money | | 112.76 | | |
| | $ | 129.32 | | |
| Cash on Hand and Receipts | | | $ | 262.76 |
| Payments | | | | 129.32 |
| Cash on Hand December 31, 1945 | | | $ | 133.44 |

Respectfully Submitted,

HAROLD F. CURRIER,
WILLIS J. EVANS,
GUY W. SMITH,
Selectmen of South Hampton.

## Report of Overseer of the Poor

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Old Age Assistance, 4 Cases, Town's Share | $ | 333.99 |

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIS J. EVANS,
Overseer of the Poor.

## Auditors' Report

South Hampton, N. H., Jan. 6, 1946.

This is to certify that we have examined the books and other records of the selectmen, tax collector, trustees of the trust funds, town clerk and highway agent; also the bank statements, cash book and other financial records of the treasurer of the town of South Hampton for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1945 and that we find them correctly cast in all respects with vouchers for all bills paid.

ARTHUR M. FRENCH,
ROLAND E. FROST,
Auditors of South Hampton, N. H.

## Report of the Trust Funds of the Town of South Hampton N. H., on January 1, 1946

| DATE OF CREATION | Trust Funds—Purpose of Creation | HOW INVESTED | Amt. of Prin. | Rate of Int. | Bal. Income On Hand at Begin'g Year | Income During Yr. | Expended During Yr. | Bal. Income On Hand at End of Yr. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Aug. 14, 1917 | Cemetery Fund, Mary J. Currier, donor | Amoskeag Savings Bank, Manchester, N. H. | $100.00 | 2¼% | $9.76 | $2.17 | $4.00 | $7.93 |
| Aug. 14, 1917 | Public Library Fund, Mary J. Currier, donor | Amoskeag Savings Bank, Manchester, N. H. | 200.00 | 2¼% | 6.20 | 4.14 | | 10.34 |
| Feb. 1, 1921 | Cemetery Fund, Eva Willand Goodwin, donor | Amoskeag Savings Bank, Manchester, N. H. | 150.00 | 2¼% | 11.98 | 3.22 | 4.50 | 10.70 |
| June 27, 1921 | Cemetery Fund, Dorothy F. and Joseph W. Stockman, donor | Amoskeag Savings Bank, Manchester, N. H. | 140.00 | 2¼% | 9.97 | 2.98 | 3.50 | 9.45 |
| Mar. 24, 1931 | Stephen Currier Cemetery Fund, John Currier, donor | Amoskeag Savings Bank, Manchester, N. H. | 150.00 | 2¼% | 8.16 | 3.16 | 3.50 | 7.82 |
| Mar. 24, 1931 | John Currier Cemetery Fund, John Currier, donor | Amoskeag Savings Bank, Manchester, N. H. | 150.00 | 2¼% | 5.33 | 3.10 | 3.00 | 5.43 |
| Sept. 29, 1931 | Moses Eaton Cemetery Fund, Edward E. Williams, donor | Amoskeag Savings Bank, Manchester, N. H. | 150.00 | 2¼% | 7.93 | 3.14 | 4.50 | 6.57 |
| Oct. 4, 1932 | Public Library Building Fund, Fidelity Grange, donor | Amoskeag Savings Bank, Manchester, N. H. | 110.00 | 2¼% | 44.64 | 3.10 | | 47.74 |
| May 22, 1933 | Cemetery Fund, Alton and Ruth Sedgley, Sarah E. Graves, donor | Provident Institution For Savings, Amesbury | 200.00 | 2¼% | 9.31 | 4.46 | 5.00 | 8.77 |
| Apr. 11, 1934 | Cemetery Fund, George M. Kimball, donor | Amoskeag Savings Bank, Manchester, N. H. | 200.00 | 2¼% | 9.17 | 4.18 | 5.00 | 8.35 |
| June 16, 1934 | Richard Fitts Cemetery Fund, Mary Prescott, donor | Amoskeag Savings Bank, Manchester, N. H. | 300.00 | 2¼% | 13.52 | 6.26 | 7.00 | 12.78 |
| Oct. 24, 1936 | Samuel Eastman Cemetery Fund, Stella G. Eastman, donor | Amoskeag Savings Bank, Manchester, N. H. | 200.00 | 2¼% | 10.10 | 4.20 | 4.00 | 10.30 |

| | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| May 2, 1940 | Moses J. Eaton Cemetery Fund, Mary B. Eaton donor | Amoskeag Savings Bank, Manchester, N. H. | 100.00 | 2¼% | 3.45 | 2.06 | 3.00 | 2.51 |
| Sept. 8, 1941 | Aaron Currier Cemetery Fund, N. Gertrude Austin, donor, | Amoskeag Savings Bank, Manchester, N. H. | 200.00 | 2¼% | 9.15 | 4.18 | 4.00 | 9.33 |
| Sept. 8, 1941 | Charles W. Currier, Cemetery Fund Charles W. Currier donor, | Amoskeag Savings Bank, Manchester, N. H. | 200.00 | 2¼% | 9.15 | 4.18 | 4.00 | 9.33 |
| April 25, 1942 | Joseph T. Merrill, Cemetery Fund, Emily W. S. Roberts, donor. | Amoskeag Savings Bank, Manchester, N. H. | 500.00 | 2¼% | 12.47 | 10.24 | 10.00 | 12.71 |
| May 20, 1944 | Phillip White Cemetery Fund, Cathrine Currier, donor | Amoskeag Savings Bank, Manchester, N. H. | 200.00 | 2¼% | 2.42 | 4.06 | | 6.48 |
| June 7, 1944 | Capital Reserve Fund of South Hampton | $1500 United States Bonds | 1,110.00 | | | | | |
| May 22, 1945 | Capital Reserve Fund of South Hampton | $1500 United States Bonds | 1,110.00 | | | | | |

WALLACE B. MORRILL,
RUFUS B. FLOYD,
DORRIS M. GRAY,
Trustees of Trust Funds
Town of South Hampton, N. H.

# Report of Library Trustees for 1945

## Receipts

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Cash on Hand January 1, 1945 | $ | 30.51 |
| Book Sold | | 1.50 |
| Annual Appropriation | | 150.00 |
| | $ | 182.01 |

## Expenditures

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Books | $ | 71.36 |
| Magazines | | 5.00 |
| Insurance | | 6.00 |
| Librarian's Expenses N. H. L. A. at Laconia | | 15.00 |
| Transporting Books to Concord | | 3.00 |
| Supplies | | 2.00 |
| Cash With Librarian | | 5.00 |
| Salary of Librarian | | 35.00 |
| Cash on Hand | | 39.65 |
| (There are outstanding bills for books) | | |
| | $ | 182.01 |

Respectfully submitted,

MINNIE B. FLOYD,
Treasurer.

# Librarian's Report for 1945

## Circulation

| | |
|---|---|
| Fiction | 1,180 |
| Non-Fiction | 74 |
| Juvenile | 650 |
| Juvenile Non-Fiction | 16 |
| Magazines | 387 |
| | 2,307 |

## Books Added During Year

| | |
|---|---|
| By Purchase | 97 |
| State Aid | 20 |
| Gift, Mrs. Grace Crosby | 1 |
| Gift, Miss Priscilla Brown | 29 |
| Gift, Mrs. Minnie B. Floyd | 1 |
| Gift, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Jewell | 57 |
| From Sunday School Library | 1 |
| | 206 |

JUDITH E. MORRILL,
Librarian.

## BIRTHS REGISTERED IN TOWN OF SOUTH HAMPTON FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1945

| Date of Birth | Name of Child | Sex | No. | Father's Name | Mother's Name | Birthplace of Parents |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Jan. 14, 1945 | Nancy Jean Barton | F | 1 | George O. Barton, Jr. | Margaret M. Willey | Newburyport, Mass.<br>Cambridge, Mass. |
| Jan. 20, 1945 | William Scott Greene | M | 1 | Franklin F Greene | Gloria V. Putnam | Sanford, Maine<br>Danvers, Mass. |
| Apr. 20, 1945 | Bruce Wiley Mathews | M | 1 | Charles H. Mathews | Mary W. McGlashen | Columbia Falls, Maine<br>Brighton, Mass. |
| Aug. 13, 1945 | Brenda Alyce True | F | 4 | David H. True | Muriel M. Folsom | Amesbury, Mass.<br>Monticello, Me. |

## MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN TOWN OF SOUTH HAMPTON FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1945

| Date | Place of Marriage | Names of Bride & Groom | Age | Names of Parents | By Whom Married |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| June 30, 1945 | South Hampton, N. H. | Harold R. Smith | 21 | Guy W. Smith<br>Ruth E. Emery | H. John Murchie<br>Clergyman |
| | | Elizabeth E. Dixon | 20 | Elwood M. Dixon<br>Gladys M. St. John | |
| Sept. 22, 1945 | South Hampton, N. H. | Charles Sheehan | 34 | John J. Sheehan<br>Margaret Mazadonaski | Minnie L. Floyd<br>Justice of the Peace |
| | | Laura I. Dow | 28 | Joseph Mazur<br>Josephine Symsik | |
| Nov. 3, 1945 | South Hampton, N. H. | Edmund P. Gendreau | 70 | Nere Gendreau<br>Elizabeth Langevin | Minnie L. Floyd<br>Justice of the Peace |
| | | Ruth M. Smart | 40 | George M. Smart<br>Julia Prescott | |

## DEATHS REGISTERED IN TOWN OF SOUTH HAMPTON FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1945

| Date | Place of Death | Name of Deceased | Age Y | Age M | Age D | Place of Birth | Names of Parents |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Feb. 14, 1945 | South Hampton, N. H. | Mary E. Evans | 81 | 8 | 28 | New Brunswick, Can. | Jacob B. Palmer<br>Louise True |
| Feb. 25, 1945 | South Hampton, N. H. | Delbert E. Adkins | 73 | 4 | 8 | Livermore, Maine | William Adkins<br>Betsy Barker |
| June 30, 1945 | South Hampton, N. H. | Mildred A. McKenzie | 42 | 1 | 3 | Dorchester, Mass. | Charles W. McKenzie<br>Bertha M. Saunders |
| Oct. 23, 1945 | Amesbury, Mass. | Oscar S. Holmbring | 60 | 5 | 3 | Smalland, Sweden | Charles A. Holmbring<br>Emma Johansen |
| Dec. 19, 1945 | South Hampton, N. H. | Lula M. Beede | 80 | 5 | 9 | Lawrence, Mass. | Isaiah Sanborn<br>Helen Elliott |

I hereby certify that the above are correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

CHARLES F. FLOYD, Town Clerk.

# ANNUAL REPORTS

of the

# SCHOOL DISTRICT

of

## TOWN OF SOUTH HAMPTON, N. H.

## For the Year 1944-45

# School District Officers

## School Board

| | |
|---|---|
| Amelia M. Harris, Chairman and Secretary | Term expires 1946 |
| Charles Batchelder | Term expires 1947 |
| Sadie Embree | Term expires 1948 |

## Superintendent of Schools

Jonathan A. Osgood, M. Ed.

## Treasurer

G. Walter Palmer

## Moderator

Mrs. Nancy Dennett

## Clerk

Kathryn Wesselhoeft

## Auditors

Roland Frost

Arthur M. French

## Attendance Office

G. Walter Palmer

## School Nurse

Mrs. Constance Cooper, R. N.

# School Warrant

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the School District of the Town of South Hampton qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district on the 12th day of March, 1946 at 2.30 o'clock in the afternoon to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.

2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.

3. To choose a member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.

4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.

5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer and fix the compensation of any other officers or Agent of the district.

6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees or officers chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.

7. To choose Agents, Auditors, Committees in relation to any subject embraced in the warrant.

8. To see if the district will vote to make any alteration in the amount of money required to be assessed for the ensuing year for the support of public schools and the payment of statutory obligations of the district, as determined by the School Board in its annual report.

9. To see if the district will vote to petition the State Tax Commission to have an audit made by the Municipal Accounting Division, and to make an appropriation to cover the expense of such audit.

10. To transact any other business which may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands at said South Hampton this first day of February, 1946.

AMELIA M. HARRIS,
CHARLES S. BATCHELDER,
SADIE EMBREE,
School Board of South Hampton.

# School Board's Estimate for 1946-1947

## Detailed Statement of Expenditures

| | | Elementary Schools |
|---|---|---|
| Support of School: | | |
| Teachers' Salaries | | $ 2,600.00 |
| Text Books | | 70.00 |
| Scholars' Supplies | | 70.00 |
| Flags and Appurtenances | | 5.00 |
| Other Expenses of Instruction | | 10.00 |
| Janitor Service | | 180.00 |
| Fuel | | 150.00 |
| Water, Light and Janitors' Supplies | | 50.00 |
| Minor Repairs and Expenses | | 50.00 |
| Health Supervision (medical inspection) | | 100.00 |
| Transportation of Pupils | | 900.00 |
| Other Special Activities | | 10.00 |
| | | $ 4,195.00 |
| Other Statutory Requirements: | | |
| Salaries of District Officers (fixed by district) | $ 72.00 | |
| Truant Officers and School Census (fixed by district) | 10.00 | |
| Payment of Tuition in High Schools and Academies (Estimated by Board) | 1,400.00 | |
| Supt's. Excess Salary (fixed by supervisory Union) | 110.00 | |
| Per Capita Tax (report of State Treasurer) | 86.00 | |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Other Obligations Imposed by Law or established by district | 35.00 | |
| | | $ 1,713.00 |
| | | $ 5,908.00 |
| Estimated Income of District: | | |
| Balance, June 30, 1946 | $ 400.00 | |
| State Aid (Dec., 1946 allotment) | 1,600.00 | |
| Dog Tax (estimate) | 50.00 | |
| Deduct Total Estimated Income (Not raised by taxation) | | $ 2,050.00 |
| Assessment Required to Balance School Board's Budget | | $3,858.00 |

Respectfully submitted,

AMELIA M. HARRIS,
CHARLES S. BATCHELDER,
SADIE EMBREE,
School Board of South Hampton.

# Financial Report of the School Board South Hampton, N. H.

| | |
|---|---|
| Cash on Hand, July 1, 1945 | $ 20.20 |
| Equalization Fund | 1,735.06 |
| District Tax for Support of Elementary Schools | 2,197.57 |
| Payment of High School Tuition | 984.08 |
| Salaries of District Officers | 72.00 |
| Per Capita Tax | 82.00 |
| Dog Licenses | 114.33 |
| | $ 5,205.24 |

## Payments

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Salaries of District Officers | | $ 72.00 |
| Rufus B. Floyd | 10.00 | |
| Amelia M. Harris | 25.00 | |
| Charles S. Batchelder | 10.00 | |
| Ellen M. Cressy | 2.00 | |
| Arthur M. French | 2.50 | |
| Roland E. Frost | 2.50 | |
| G. Walter Palmer | 20.00 | |
| | $ 72.00 | |
| Superintendent's Excess Salary | | $ 93.02 |
| Truant Officer and Census | | 10.00 |
| Expenses of Administration | | 48.77 |
| G. W. Palmer, postage | $ 3.50 | |
| Edson C. Eastman Co. | 9.12 | |
| J. A. Osgood | 3.75 | |
| Rockingham National Bank, Service Charge | 3.20 | |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Charles F. Floyd, Treasurer's Bond | | 5.00 | |
| Epping School District | | 1.90 | |
| Supervisory Union No. 14 | | 22.30 | |
| | $ | 48.77 | |
| Teachers' Salaries | | | $ 2,190.33 |
| Kathryn M. Currier | $ | 967.72 | |
| Ina M. Elkins | | 944.61 | |
| Minnie B. Floyd | | 127.06 | |
| Hazel M. Floyd | | 10.00 | |
| Vera Gowen | | 5.00 | |
| Margaret Hume | | 10.00 | |
| Gladys Merrick (Music) | | 125.94 | |
| | $ | 2,190.33 | |
| Text Books | | | $ 79.86 |
| Beckley Cardy Co. | $ | 13.67 | |
| Ginn & Company | | 17.70 | |
| C. C. Birchard Company | | 2.90 | |
| Houghton Mifflin Company | | 15.70 | |
| The L. W. Singer Company | | 1.14 | |
| Scott, Foresman Company | | 25.63 | |
| J. L. Hammett Company | | 3.12 | |
| | $ | 79.86 | |
| Scholars' Supplies | | | $ 60.65 |
| Edwin E. Babb & Company | $ | 50.33 | |
| Scott, Foresman Company | | 9.82 | |
| | $ | 60.65 | |
| Other Expenses of Instruction | | | $ 6.42 |
| World Book Company | $ | 3.30 | |
| Scott, Foresman Company | | .60 | |
| Carl Fischer, Inc. | | 2.52 | |
| | $ | 6.42 | |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Janitor Service | | $ | 180.00 |
| Wallace B. Morrill | $ 180.00 | | |
| Fuel | | $ | 135.00 |
| Rufus B. Floyd | $ 129.50 | | |
| Wallace B. Morrill | 5.50 | | |
| | $ 135.00 | | |
| Water, Light and Janitor's Supplies | | $ | 45.93 |
| Exeter & Hampton Electric Light Co. | 18.30 | | |
| J. L. Hammett Company | 27.63 | | |
| | $ 45.93 | | |
| Minor Repairs and Expenses | | $ | 176.92 |
| Rufus B. Floyd | 1.35 | | |
| Edgar B. Parker | 15.45 | | |
| Vera Gowen | 1.00 | | |
| J. L. Hammett Co. (Tanks) | 154.75 | | |
| A. M. Harris | 3.60 | | |
| Fred Grinnell | .77 | | |
| | $ 176.92 | | |
| Medical Inspection | | $ | 92.61 |
| Gladys Merrick | $ 92.61 | | |
| Transportation of Pupils | | $ | 720.00 |
| Charles F. Floyd | $ 720.00 | | |
| High School Tuition | | $ | 984.08 |
| Town of Amesbury | $ 984.08 | | |
| Other Special Activities | | $ | 10.83 |
| J. L. Hammett Company | $ 2.26 | | |
| O. H. Toothaker | 8.57 | | |
| | $ 10.83 | | |

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| State Per Capita Tax | 82.00 | 82.00 |
| Withholding Tax on Salaries | 196.62 | 196.62 |
| Cash on Hand at End of Year | 20.20 | 20.20 |
| | | $ 5,205.24 |

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**Auditors' Certificate**

South Hampton, July 11, 1945

We have this day examined the foregoing accounts of the School Board of the Town of South Hampton and find the same correctly cast.

ARTHUR M. FRENCH,
ROLAND E. FROST,
Auditors.

# Annual Report of District Treasurer

**Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1945**

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF SOUTH HAMPTON

**Summary**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Cash on Hand June 30, 1944 | $ | 5.85 |
| Received From Selectmen | | |
| Appropriations for Current Year | | 2,681.33 |
| Balance of Previous Appropriation | | 668.67 |
| Dog Tax | | 114.33 |
| Received From State Treasurer | | 1,735.06 |
| Total Amount Available for Fiscal Year | $ | 5,205.24 |
| Less School Board Orders Paid | $ | 5,185.04 |
| Balance on Hand as of June 30, 1945 | $ | 20.20 |

GEORGE WALTER PALMER,
District Treasurer.

## Superintendent's Annual Report

February 1, 1946.

Report of Superintendent of Schools to the School Board and Citizens of South Hampton:

I herewith present my fourth annual report as superintendent of schools. As we work for the continued improvement of our schools, we have an opportunity for a much more optimistic outlook than we have had for several years due to war time conditions. Although those conditions are in many respects still with us, people feel much decrease in the mental strain since the fighting ceased. There has been little actual let-up to date on the teacher situation, acquisition of books and supplies and other material things.

The present world and national situation from an educational sense involves an attempt at the creation of an "Educational and Cultural Organization of the United Nations." The present conference convened November 1, 1945 in London to "Formulate the final constitution of the proposed Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization."

In our own country probably no subject stirs as much emotion as Peacetime Compulsory Military Training; the discussion (mentioned in the superintendent's report last year) continues to be an important subject in Congress. One of the strong arguments in favor of Peacetime Compulsory Military Training is the prevention and improvement of physical defects in our young people. Many of those who are opposed to this national legislation feel that more public money should be spent locally to prevent and remedy physical defects during the earlier years of a child's life and therefore eliminate the necessity of greater expense at a more advanced age.

A trend in educational objectives throughout the country today is definitely toward more vocational offerings in high schools—with no lessening of the importance of cultural subjects. It would seem that the programs of studies in our high schools should include one or more vocational courses for boys to compare with home economics and commercial, so commonly offered for girls. A course in agriculture or mechanic-arts might cause the percentage of drop-outs between grades eight and twelve to become considerably lower. To substantiate an opinion that school units should increase in size and in curriculum offerings, I quote Dr. John Studebaker, U. S. Commissioner of Education, who has recently said, "In many communities, and particularly in rural communities, the curriculum of the schools has changed but little with the years, remaining bookish, abstract, with little immediate relationship to youth's need to develop technical and vocational competence for today's complicated and specialized occupational world." Calling attention to the fact that the majority of the 26,000 high schools in the United States had fewer than one hundred students each, Dr. Studebaker recommended that further steps be taken to modernize our "archaic organization of school districts and school support. As matters stand today, further progress in developing the productive skills of the great rank and file of our youth waits upon improvements in school organization."

To more precisely present the present situation in which the schools throughout the nation find themselves, I will quote from an address presented recently by E. N. Scheiberling, National Commander, American Legion. "Education in Amercia is one of the most critical casualties of the war.—Two hundred thousand teachers have left the class rooms since Pearl Harbor. Thousands have entered the armed services."

The rising cost of living has caused thousands to accept higher wages of war industry! Although the schools within N. H. Supervisory Union No. 14 may not have been affected as much as some in more industrial areas, we

have certainly felt the impact. No organization could more constructively declare itself than did the Legion when the National Commander recently said, "We have rededicated ourselves to service of education. We will fight to attract teachers to the classrooms with adequate salaries. We will fight to strengthen the curricular of our schools, and marching shoulder to shoulder with constructive programs of the National Education Association and all other forces of education we shall succeed in this great responsibility."

To replace Mrs. Ina Elkins of Hampton Falls who resigned last June as teacher of grades one through four, the School Board elected Mrs. Elizabeth Merrill of Hampton Falls. Mrs. Merrill taught in the Fremont Primary School last year and had previously had some years of teaching experience, Mrs. Kathryn Currier of South Hampton is continuing her good work of former years as the teacher of grades five through eight.

The school building continues to be in good general condition. The major expense during the past year was in purchasing and installing new chemical toilet tanks. Some new window shades were provided in the classrooms and others have been ordered.

Text books are being kept up to date and the work of the teachers and pupils appears to continue very satisfactorily. There are some unusually good readers in the intermediate grades and we are making an effort to provide a better and larger selection of supplemental books for the reading tables. The usual standardized testing program is being continued in order that the teachers may diagnose more comprehensively the weaknesses of the individual pupils and stress those subjects where more attention is needed.

The South Hampton Parent-Teachers' Association continues to function effectively; the more tangible results are shown in the playground equipment (includes teeter boards, volley ball and net basketball) which has been

purchased by that organization for the school children during the past year.

A Christmas party was sponsored by the Parent-Teachers' Association in the Town Hall at which time the school children furnished the program.

**War Savings:** A recent bulletin from the U. S. Treasury Department informs us that "In 1941 only two and one-half million pupils in 8,400 schools were saving through a regular school or class room savings plan. In 1945 more than twenty-five million pupils in more than 200,000 schools were saving regularly and had made a two billion dollar contribution to the nation's war financing needs." These foregoing facts indicate that the school children in our area have continued to take an active part in this worthy enterprise and as a by-product of their effort to help win the war, they have learned how to save and how they as citizens may contribute to the economic well-being of their country.

Nancy True (grade 4) was neither absent nor tardy during the year 1944-45.

## STATISTICAL DATA

| | 1942-43 | 1943-44 | 1944-45 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Number of pupils enrolled | 40 | 39 | 37 |
| Average membership | 36.9 | 36.2 | 35.8 |
| Average attendance | 91.6 | 93.3 | 98.9 |
| No. pupils completed grade 8 (1945) | 4 | 2 | 7 |
| No. pupils in high school Sept. 1945 | 16 | 11 | |
| Visits by school nurse | 39 | 32 | 38 |
| Visits by Superintendent | 44 | 26 | 28 |
| Visits by others | 84 | 95 | 69 |

Enrollment in September 1945 was as follows: Grade 1-4, 14, Grades, 5-8, 16.

Pupils who completed the work of the eighth grade in June 1945 were:

Priscilla Brown
Marilyn Cressy
Dorothy Currier
Nancy Dixon
Robert Harris
Douglas Hellen
Janice Holmstrom

South Hampton pupils attending High School September 1945:

Amesbury High School, Amesbury, Massachusetts

| | |
|---|---|
| Priscilla Brown, Grade 9 | Antoinette Santosuosso, Grade 10 |
| Nancy Dixon, Grade 9 | Isabel Syvinski, Grade 10 |
| Marilyn Cressy, Grade 9 | Virginia Putnam, Grade 11 |
| Douglas Hellen, Grade 9 | Virginia Hellen, Grade 12 |
| Janice Holmstrom, Grade 9 | Eleanor Batchelder, Grade 12 |

Sanborn Seminary, Kingston, New Hamphsire

| | |
|---|---|
| Dorothy Currier, Grade 9 | Robert Harris, Grade 9 |

A thought which might be worthy of consideration would be to transport and pay tuition charges for the upper grade children of the Barnard School to Amesbury. It is generally considered to be of value to upper grade pupils to be able to associate with more pupils of their own ages during those years; there are advantages to children in larger grade groups with more competition and at Amesbury, it is understood that some pre-vocational home economics and manual training is offered to Junior High School pupils.

If only the two upper grades were sent to Amesbury, there would then be six instead of four grades for the one teacher in South Hampton. This would be a disadvantage educationally but with such a small number of pupils, the advantages to the upper grade children might over balance the disadvantages to the lower ones. The total expense to the school district might remain about the same.

The following article appears in a recent issue* of the Nation's Schools Magazine:

**"Years Before Six"**

Children grow before they are 6, perhaps even faster than they do after 6, according to the Educational Policies Commission of the N. E. A., which has completed a policy statement on "Extending School Services Downward." The war has shown, more than peacetime experience has ever demonstrated, that children profit from pre-kindergarten

education. The foundations for health, emotional and social development are laid during these early years.

Some children have home advantages which give them a fair start in life. Others do not. It is the responsibility of the nursery school and the kindergarten, supported as public schools for all the children of all the people, to minister to the needs of this latter group.

In conclusion, you are referred to the following reports of the music supervisor, Miss Marion Foster and the School Nurse, Mrs. Constance Cooper.

Again, I wish to thank all of those connected with and interested in the work of the school for their continued cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

JONATHAN A. OSGOOD,
Superintendent of Schools.

*January, 1946, Page 86.

## COMPARATIVE PER PUPIL COSTS

| | Current Cost of Public Education per $1,000 Equalized Valuation | | Per Pupil Cost of Public Elem. School | | High School Instruction | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 1942-43 | 1943-44 | 1942-43 | 1943-44 | 1943 1944 | 1944 1945 |
| Brentwood | $16.82 | $20.59 | $83.54 | $131.36 | | |
| Danville | 19.64 | 17.90 | 56.58 | 60.23 | | |
| Epping | 21.46 | 23.42 | 55.26 | 63.49 | $76.66 | $75.34 |
| Fremont | 14.56 | 14.88 | 70.39 | 68.87 | | |
| Kingston | 16.11 | 15.93 | 79.58 | 86.39 | | |
| Newmarket | 19.67 | 19.52 | 78.03 | 97.66 | 51.12 | 80.05 |
| Sandown | 15.53 | 16.82 | 84.37 | 145.66 | | |
| South Hampton | 17.57 | 16.99 | 99.19 | 104.90 | | |
| | | | | | Average | |
| Media for the State | 13.38 | 13.78 | 94.25 | 102.07 | 107.46 | 114.59 |
| Raymond | 21.99 | 22.82 | 74.46 | 82.66 | 106.77 | 148.20 |
| Hampton | 7.04 | 7.21 | 87.36 | 86.32 | 104.81 | 96.77 |
| Exeter | 7.19 | 7.19 | 86.23 | 86.92 | 129.54 | 163.50 |

## Report of Music Supervisor

To the Superintendent of Schools and Board of Education of South Hampton, N. H.:

I hereby submit the annual report of the Music Department:

The aim of the music classes is to develop a desire to sing, to teach children to sing correctly, and to develop appreciation of good music.

The specific aims are ear training, rhythm, correct posture, phrasing, tone intonation, enunciation, sight-reading, part-singing and interpretation.

Both rooms have new music books this year. The new piano in the grammar room which has replaced the old one is much appreciated by students and teachers.

Respectfully submitted,

MARION H. FOSTER,
Music Supervisor.

## Health Supervision

To the Superintendent of Schools and School Board of South Hampton, N. H.:

Of the 30 pupils examined during the school year 1944-45, the following cases were found and treatment was given as indicated:

| | No. Cases | No. Receiving Treatment | No. Corrections |
|---|---|---|---|
| Underweight | 4 | 4 | |
| Defective Vision | 1 | | 1 |
| Nervous Condition | 1 | 1 | |
| Defective Teeth | 7 | | 5 |
| Diseased Tonsils | 3 | | 3 |
| Adenoids | 3 | | 3 |
| Enlarged Glands | 2 | 2 | |
| Measles | 2 | | |
| Scarlet Fever | 2 | | |
| Skin Diseases | 9 | | |

Respectfully submitted,

CONSTANCE COOPER, R. N.

## PREVENT FOREST FIRES— IT PAYS

An average of 7,300 acres of woodland are burned over by forest fires in New Hampshire each year destroying many thousand dollars worth of property of all description. It costs many additional thousands of dollars and requires valuable man hours, taken from other essential work, to extinguish them. These losses affect the personal fortunes of the owners, and town and state economies. Everyone loses because of them.

Analysis of fire causes reveals the fact that more than 98 percent of all forest fires are, consistently, the result of human carelessness and are preventable!

We have been extremely fortunate during the past few years. Favorable fire weather and war time restrictions on travel which kept people off the highways and out of the woods have aided materially in reducing fire risks, keeping fires fewer and fire losses low.

We now face changed conditions. People can travel freely. Their love for travel and the freedom of the woods will bring them out in ever increasing numbers. This will step up the fire risk materially. The accelerated cutting of the war years has resulted in additional thousands of slash acres. These factors, combined with a possible dry season and human carelessness could easily produce a catastrophe. everyone must consequently, be on his guard. He should

1. Be careful with fire or when smoking in or near woodlands.
2. Cooperate with the local forest fire warden and his deputies by

a. Abiding cheerfully with whatever restrictions it may be necessary to impose. They are intended only to be helpful.
b. Securing permits to burn debris when the ground is not covered with snow.
c. Seeing that others comply with the requirements.
d. Promptly coming to the warden's assistance when needed.

If these few fundamental practices are followed it will be possible to PREVENT a large proportion of FOREST FIRES from starting—that PAYS!